

North Jdaho Medical Reserve Corps

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H1N1 Flu Update

MRC Activation on Hold

Panhandle Health District's plan to distribute the H1N1 vaccine to the public has had to change as the size of our vaccine deliveries has shrunk. Smaller portions of vaccine delivered over a longer time period has pushed the opening of mass vaccination clinics to January.

The Health District believes it is of utmost importance that the target population receive the initial vaccines. Those targeted populations are:

- Children and young adults ages 6 months to 24 years
- All pregnant women
- All household contacts and caregivers for children under 6 months of age
- Healthcare and EMS personnel
- Non-elderly adults 25-64 years with underlying health conditions

The Health District is proceeding with its plans to offer vaccinations to school children throughout North Idaho as well as providing vaccines to private providers, including pediatricians, OB-GYN and family physicians.

The Mass Vaccination Clinics that were scheduled for October and November and were being staffed by MRC volunteers <u>have been postponed</u> until after the first of the year and will depend upon the availability of vaccine as well as the need at that time.

MRC members will be updated as further information and dates becomes available.

Thank you for your commitment to the health of your community!

The MRC—Volunteers Building Strong, Healthy & Prepared Communities

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Welcome all new MRC Members

The outpouring of community support to assist during the H1N1 public health emergency has been overwhelming. The Medical Reserve Corps has grown by over 10%; with now over 900 members!

We will continue to solicit new members. When mass vaccination clinics are operated, at least 1,000 volunteers are needed to staff these clinics.

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For further information about the North Idaho MRC, please contact 208-415-5185 or email the MRC at MRC@phd1.idaho.gov